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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, AL, SY

SUBJECT: ALGERIAN AID TO SYRIA

1. ISRAELI MINISTER HADASS TOLD DCM, MAY 11, THAT ISRAELIS HAD RECEIVED UNCONFIRMED REPORT THAT FOUR TO FIVE ANTONOV CARGO AIRCRAFT HAD FLOWN FROM ALGERIA TO SYRIA VIA ATHENS ABOUT MAY 7-8. HADASS SPECULATED THAT ALGERIANS SUPPLYING MILITARY EQUIPMENT TO FEDAYEEN UNITS IN SYRIA.

2. IN COURSE GENERAL REVIEW MIDDLE EAST SITUATION WITH QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR MIDDLE EAST AFFAIRS AFTERNOON MAY 11, QUESTION OF POSSIBLE EXTERNAL MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO SYRIA CAME UP. QUAI DIRECTOR SAID GOF HAD NO INDICATION THAT ALGERIANS OR OTHERS AIRLIFTING EQUIPMENT TO SYRIANS.

3. COMMENT: IT SEEMS POSSIBLE THAT FLIGHTS TO WHICH HADASS REFERRED WERE CONNECTED WITH SUPPORT FOR MOROCCAN UNITS IN
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SYRIA. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION WHICH
ADDRESSEES MAY HAVE ABOUT POSSIBLE ALGERIAN AIRLIFT TO SYRIANS.
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